

What is claimed is:

1. A pragmatic trellis code modulation TCM decoder, comprising:

5       a demodulator for receiving a modulated signal and computing coordination values of symbols of the modulated signal on an I-axis and Q-axis in a constellation;

          a coset mapper for generating 3-bit soft decision data based on the computed coordinate values;

10       a viterbi decoder for receiving 3-bit soft decision data and generating 1-bit data as a coded data by decoding the 3-bit soft decision data;

          a re-encoder for receiving the 1-bit data from the viterbi decoder and obtaining un-coded information in order  
15 to compute an un-coded data;

          a sector phase quantizer for obtaining I channel and Q channel information based on the coordination values from the demodulator in order to obtain un-coded data;

          a time delayer for delaying output of the sector  
20 phase quantizer until the re-encoder outputs the un-coded information; and

          a non-coded code decoder for computing the un-coded data by decoding the output of the sector phase quantizer based on the un-coded information from the re-encoder and  
25 the I channel and Q channel information from the sector phase quantizer.

2. The pragmatic trellis code modulation TCM decoder as recited to claim 1, wherein the coset mapper provides the 3-bit soft decision by using an equation as  $x' = \cos[2(\phi - \Phi)]$ ,  $y' = \sin[2(\phi - \Phi)]$  based on a phase difference  
5 between a basis phase and  $\phi$ , wherein  $\phi$  is computed based on a  $x$ , coordinate of I axis and a  $y$ , coordinate of Q axis in a constellation of the received signal.

3. The pragmatic trellis code modulation TCM decoder  
10 as recited in claim 1, wherein the basis phase is  $\frac{5\pi}{8}$ .

4. The pragmatic trellis code modulation TCM decoder as recited in claim 1, wherein the basis phase is  $\frac{\pi}{2}$ .

15 5. A decoding method for a pragmatic trellis code modulation TCM decoder, comprising the steps of:

- a) receiving a modulated signal and computing coordination values of symbols of the modulated signal on an I-axis and Q-axis in a constellation;
- 20 b) generating 3-bit soft decision data based on the computed coordinate values;
- c) receiving the 3-bit soft decision data and generating 1-bit data as a coded data by decoding the 3-bit soft decision data;
- 25 d) receiving the 1-bit data and obtaining un-coded

information in order to compute an un-coded data;

e) obtaining I channel and Q channel information based on the coordination values from the demodulator in order to obtain un-coded data;

5 f) delaying an output of the sector phase quantizer until step d) outputs the un-coded information; and

g) computing the un-coded data by decoding the output of the sector phase quantizer based on the un-coded information from the re-encoder and the I channel and Q  
10 channel information from the sector phase quantizer.

6. The method as recited to claim 5, wherein the step b) provides the 3-bit soft decision by using equation as  $x' = \cos[2(\phi - \Phi)]$ ,  $y' = \sin[2(\phi - \Phi)]$  based on a phase difference  
15 between a basis phase and  $\phi$ , wherein  $\phi$  is computed based on a x, coordinate of I axis and a y, coordinate of Q axis in a constellation of the received signal.

7. The method as recited in claim 6, wherein the  
20 basis phase is  $\frac{5\pi}{8}$ .

8. The method as recited in claim 6, wherein the basis phase is  $\frac{\pi}{2}$ .

25 9. A computer readable recoding medium storing a

program for executing a method for a pragmatic trellis code modulation TCM decoder, the method comprising the steps of:

a) receiving a modulated signal and computing coordination values of symbols of the modulated signal on  
5 an I-axis and Q-axis in a constellation;

b) generating 3-bit soft decision data based on the computed coordinate values;

c) receiving the 3-bit soft decision data and generating 1-bit data as a coded data by decoding the 3-bit  
10 soft decision data;

d) receiving the 1-bit data and obtaining un-coded information in order to compute an un-coded data;

e) obtaining I channel and Q channel information based on the coordination values from the demodulator in  
15 order to obtain un-coded data;

f) delaying an output of the sector phase quantizer until step d) outputs the un-coded information; and

G) computing the un-coded data by decoding the output of the sector phase quantizer based on the un-coded  
20 information from the re-encoder and the I channel and Q channel information from the sector phase quantizer.